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Dear !

Thank you for your interest and courtesy in writing me on January 7, 1953.

In response to your inquiry, I have no objection to your making use of the graph to which you referred, and I am enclosing material available for distribution on the general subject of communism which may be of aid in connection with your research work.

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Sincerely yours.

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover Director

Enclosures (6)

Where Do We Stand Today with Communism in the U. S.? Communist "New Look" Struggle on a New Plane Communism and the College Student Unmasking the Communist Masquerader God and Country or Communism?

NOTE: Chart referred to was introduced to the House Subcommittee on Appropriations by the Director on 2/1/56 and has been disseminated widely by the American Legion since that time. Correspondent is not

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St. John's Seminary Brighton 35, Massachusetts January 7, 1958

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director Federal Bureau of Investigation United States Department of Justice Washington, D. C. Dear Mr. Hoover;

I am currently engaged in research work directed to the attainment of a Master of Arts degree in Philosophy under the title, "Philosophy of Communism". My reason for writing to you is to secure permission to use the graph, Origin and Continuity of the Communist Party (produced by the F.B.I. Exhibits Section and appearing in the November 15, 1956 issue of the Camerican Legion Firing Line.).

Because I am studying for the Priesthood I am especially interested in the effect of Communism upon Religion; in particular, why a minister or rabbi would sponsor a Communist organization. Any information or suggestions you may wish to give me would be greatly appreciated.

. Thank you for your kindness and consideration in this matter.

Respectfully yours.

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	Sorry this has to be a letter of this type but I have so many to send
2]	out in connection with this project it is practically impossible for me to
23.6	type a letter to each individual concerned.
0	What I am writing for is a letter from you, to be placed in a leather
	bound book to say job well done and congratulate our
*	National Executive Committeeman who receives a Life Membership in The
3	American Legion at our Mid Winter Cinference which is not very far off. I
5	am more than sure it is not necessary for me to try and tell you or explain $^{ m b6}_{ m b7C}$
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3	I would like to ask you to date the letters the 16th of February or
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0	as possible as it will take quite a while to get this all completed.
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Mr. Richard C. Cadwallader Chairman Sixth Region National Americanism Commission The American Legion 304 Louisiana National Bank Euilding Baton Rouge 1. Louisiana

Dear Mr. Cadwallader:

Your letter of January 24, 1958, inviting Inspector Cartha D. DeLoach to address the Sixth Regional Americanism Conference of The American Legion in Shreveport, Louisiana, on March 29, 1958, or March 30, 1958, has been received, and I would be most happy to arrange for him to be with you on either of the dates mentioned.

While it would not be possible for Inspector DeLoach to direct his remarks along the lines indicated in your letter, he will, lift you so desire, be glad to appear and discuss the general responsibilities of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Since he is accustomed to speaking from notes, there would be no prepared text available for release to the press in advance of his speech.

It is indeed a pleasure for us to offer our assistance in any way possible, and I hope you will let us hear from you at an early date in this regard.

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cc - Inspector Delioach, with copy of incoming.

NOTE: Bureau relations with the National Americanism Commission of The American Legion are very good. In regard to Cadwallader, Bufiles reveal that one Richard C. Cadwallader, an attorney at Baton Rouge, Louisiana,

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Mr. Richard C. Cadwallader

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was associated with the Southern Conference for Human Welfare during 1940
and 1941. (100-10355-3, 29 pg 5); (61-7582-1298). This organization
has been cited as a communist front by the House Committee on Un-America
Activities. One Richard Cadwallader of Louisiana State College is mentione
in Bufiles as having participated in 1941 in "the annual congress of the
National Student Federation of America." (100-7056-31 pg 28)
An internal security-type investigation of the activities of this organization
has been conducted by the Bureau. Bufiles reveal that the name, "Richard
Cadwallader," and the address,
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(100-159485-29, p 135) was the subject of a security-
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SIXTH REGION NATIONAL AMERICANISM COMMISSION THE AMERICAN LEGION

Sixth Region: Mississippi Arkansas Louisiana Texas Richard C. Cadwallader, Chairman 304 Louisiana National Bank Bldg. Baton Rouge 1, Louisiana

January 24, 1958

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director Federal Bureau of Investigation 9th and Pennsylvania Ave., N. W. Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

We are, at this time, planning the program for The American Legion's 1958 6th Regional Americanism Conference which will be held at the Captain Shreve Hotel in Shreveport, Louisiana on March 28-30, 1958. We are very desirous of having a representative from the Federal Bureau of Investigation speak to the Conference on communism and the role of the F.B.I. in containing and eliminating it.

We hope that you will be able to make arrangements for a speaker to be with us. Having had the privilege of hearing Inspector C. D. DeLoach deliver a very splendid address to the members of the National Executive Committee of The American Legion at Indianapolis, year before last, I was wondering if it would be possible for you to designate him as the Bureau representative. However, we would be pleased to have any representative whom you designate.

We would expect to allot about 15 or 20 minutes for the formal portion of his address and if possible, would like him to be prepared to answer questions from the conference participants for 5 or 10 minutes thereafter.

If it is at all possible to do so, we would like to have several advance copies of his talk so that it can be released to the local newspapers and the wire services in Shreveport slightly in advance of the time in which he talks.

According to our general schedule at this time, we would plan on having the Bureau representative speak some time on the morning of Saturday, March 29 or Sunday morning, 'March 30.





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Inasmuch as we are hoping to finalize the Conference program in the early part of February, we would appreciate your letting us have your reply at your earliest convenience.

Very sincerely yours,

/s/ Richard C. Cadwallader

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Richard C. Cadwallader, Chairman

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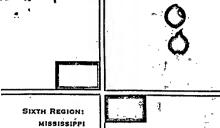
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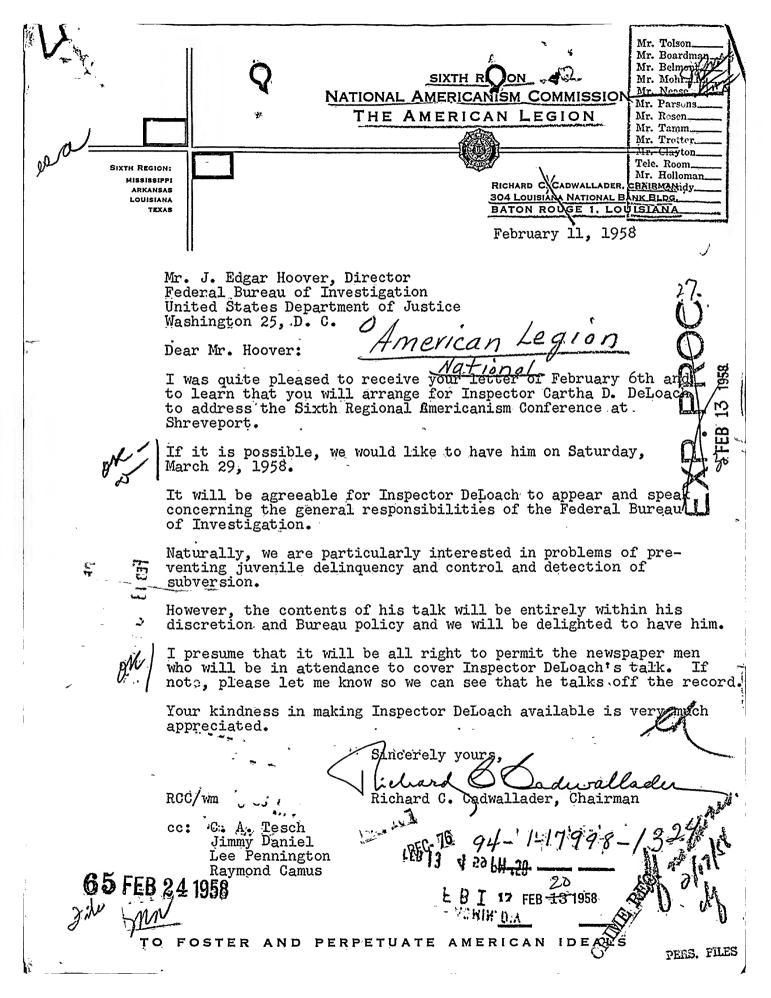
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Richard C. Sodwalloder Chairman



PEG-17 94-1-17996-1325 * February 19, 1958 Mr. James V. Day Director of Public Relations The American Legion 1608 K Street, Northwest Washington 6, D. C. Dear Mr. Day: I have received your letter of February 12, 1958, with enclosures, and I appreciate your thoughtfulness in making available to me the copies of Commander Gleason's remarks at the Annual Law and Order Dinner at Chicago. Your efforts to assure broad circulation of Mr. Gleason's admonitions concerning the threat to our way of life represented by the communist conspiracy are certainly commendable; and you have my best wishes for success in this regard. 🚣 It was very kind of you to comment as you did 🕒 concerning Inspector Cartha D. DeLoach, and I know that he is happy to have the opportunity to cooperate with you in the manner which you indicated. You may be certain that he will share my pleasure in your remarks. Sincerely yours - Inspector Cartha D. De Loach, with copy of incoming and enclosure

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1608 K STREET, N. W. WASHINGTON 6. D. C.

OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL DIRECTOR

February 12, 1958

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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover Director Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

We were indeed pleased to receive, through the kind office of Inspector DeLoach, your favorable reaction to the address by National Commander John S./Gleason before the Chicago Police Post No. 207 at the Annual Law and Order Dinner.

We have given this address the widest circulation possible within the framework of our media and hope, of course, that they will use it for copy in the state and local publications. We have also sent out a notice to the field that copies of the address are available and encouraging the contents to be used for speech material.

We are enclosing two extra copies in case you would Like to have them for your files, and if you desire an additional supply we would be pleaseddto forward

Inspector DeLoach continues to be most helpful and it is always a pleasure to work with his efficient office. **REC-17**

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MAMES V. DAY

National Director

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FRCM: National Public Relations Division, The American Legion 1608 K St., N.W., Washington, D.C. EX 3-4811; Ext. 81

An Address by John S. Gleason, Jr., National Commander The American Legion, at the Annual Law and Order Dinner, Chicago Police Post No. 207, Bismarck Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, Tuesday, February 11, 1958

FOR RELEASE A.M. PAPERS, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1958

I know that every National Commander of The American Legion who was privileged to attend this annual dinner of Chicago Police Post No. 207 considers this occasion one of the highlights of his term in office. And well he might. But I claim an even greater distinction tonight on the grounds of personal privilege.

This is not only one of the most important and historic events in our Legion year. It is a milestone in my life.

I've been privileged to know you members of Post 207 for many years.

I know from first hand experience the wonderful job you have done and are doing for The American Legion. I know of your dedication to our great organization and to our programs of service for God and Country.

Thus, tonight, I have become far more than a part of a wonderful tradition...and far more than a guest of outstanding Legionnaires. I have come back home back among Legionnaires of whom I am very proud...and prouder still to call my friends.

In The American Legion there are members of posts who, by profession or dedication to a particular cause and program, invite comments on their specialized interest. There are, for example, posts famous for their work and accomplishments in the field of Veteran Rehabilitation, Child Welfare, Americanism, or National Security.

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Chicago Police Post 207 has carried out each of these programs with equal success. Thus it would be difficult, if not impossible, to select one of these activities with certainty that it commands your special interest and effort.

I am certain, however, that no group of Legionnaires and no group of Americans is more concerned with the welfare, safety and security of our nation and all of our people than you.

Because your very lives are dedicated to the protection of the person and property of your fellow-citizens, you realize more than most Americans how our welfare and security, individually and as a nation, can be compromised by carelessness and crime.

Today the greatest danger we face is the international, criminal conspiracy of communism, and the threatening indifference of our citizens to this seditious evil.

In assuming that the recent decline in membership of the Communist Party in the United States means a decline in the subversive strength and dedication of communism, these citizens misread the signs of the times. They do themselves and our nation a disservice if they interpret the suspension of publication of the Daily Worker as further proof of the failing appeal and danger of communism in America.

Numbers are important to the Communist Party, of course. More important by far, however, is the allegiance of all communists to Moscow. And here in America that allegiance has been strengthened and made more binding even as the United States Communist Party has declined in membership.

If the Party numbers only 10,000 members in this country today, these traitors are the hard-core, fanatical agents of the Kremlin in our midst. They are the front-line shock troops in America of the international communist conspiracy. Behind them is mobilized an army of 100,000 or more fellow-travelers and Red sympathizers ready to sell their souls and their country into slavery.

You know, and our fellow-citizens should never forget that throughout recorded history all violent political and economic revolutions have been accomplished by approximately ten percent of a nation's population. Realizing this, we must recognize that the members

and allies of the Communist Party in the United State's need not outnumber and outvote us before they can control the reins of government in this country.

They now dominate the lives and the government of nearly 40 percent of the people of the world. Yet, in the 110 years since the Communist Manifesto was written, the Communist Party has never won power in any country by the free vote of a majority of the people.

Surprising as this may seem, even more startling is the fact that when the Soviet Communist Party seized power in Russia it had fewer members than the Communist Party in the United States a decade ago.

This tragic pattern has revealed itself in other countries now controlled or seriously undermined by communism.

For example, the lives of nearly half a billion people are ruthlessly controlled by the Communist Party in Red China. The Party's present membership there is six million but not too many years ago it numbered only 10,000.

In Italy, the Communist Party now numbers more than two million members, but its strength once dwindled to only 15,000 members.

These figures reveal the zeal, the fanaticism, the unswerving dedication and determination of communism. The fate of these nations, of Poland, Hungary, Rumania, Czechoslovakia, and other countries behind the Iron Curtain should dispel forever any false sense of complacency about the danger of the communist conspiracy in this country.

It won't, unfortunately, as long as some of our citizens choose to place their own interpretation on such developments as the death of the DAILY WORKER. They see in this fact additional evidence that the Communist Party in America is financially bankrupt as well as numerically impotent.

The Party could be broke, although I'm certain that this is not the case. In any event, however, the DAILY WORKER did not cease publication for financial reasons. There is one explanation and one explanation only for its end.

That reason is expediency. And, in this instance, expediency means a difference

of opinion as to the role of the Communist Party in the United States.

John W. Gates, former editor of the Daily Worker, resigned from both the paper and the Party on January 6th of this year... just three days before the paper folded. His official reason being that he felt "the Communist Party has ceased to be an effective force."

Still a believer in Communism, Gates differed with William Z. Foster, Eugene Dennis and the other acknowledged leaders of the Communist Party in the United States on the fundamental issue of whether the Party in this country should be independent or a tool of Moscow. He favored an independent course. His resignation demonstrates in a rather dramatic fashion that the Communist Party in the United States has reaffirmed and reinforced its pledge of allegiance to the Kremlin.

We should keep this in mind, just as we should remember that although the Daily Worker has folded, the so-called Sunday edition of the Communist Party in the United States, THE WORKER, continues in an expanded form.

Thus the faithful party members have not been cut off from Moscow. They haven't been forced to think and act for themselves. They are still told what line to follow and what lie to preach by the Kremlin.

Currently they're pushing the latest, 1958 model of disarmament and summit talk propaganda. At the same time, of course, they are exploiting and endeavoring to expand those Supreme Court decisions which promise immunity or relief from Smith Act and other espionage law prosecutions.

If we are to judge by the record, they are making progress on both fronts.

Diplomatically, the United States is faced with mounting pressure from our NATO allies to agree to Summit talks on Moscow's terms. Disarmament, nuclear neutrality and other catch slogans are being orbited into space over Europe at a rate to make satellite scientists green with envy.

At home our Government has been compelled to drop prosecution of key communists and Red sympathizers rather than open up vital files to these traitors.

It is possible, in my opinion, to maintain, indeed to insist upon a respect for the dignity of the Supreme Court and for the personal loyalty and integrity of its Justices while being critical of certain Court decisions. It is in this vein that The American Legion has suggested that the decision of the Supreme Court on the Jenks case, for example, adversely affects our ability as a nation to protect ourselves from sedition and subversion.

We have so stated by resolution of our 1957 national convention in Atlantic City. At the same time, however, this resolution also called on every Legionnaire to inform and interest himself in our fight against communism.

Such an appeal might seem entirely unnecessary to you members of Chicago Police

Post 207. I am confident that it will serve only as a reminder to all of our members

of their citizenship responsibilities. But to many Americans it might well be a warning

of a grave defeat in our national character.

And that defect is an unwillingness of too many of our citizens to participate in the rough and tumble of politics, shouldering the burdens of citizenship and not minding it too much if we get hit with a little mud in the process or suffer some inconvenience.

Judge Harold R. Medina, who presided at the 1949 trial of the communists leaders in this country, charged with conspiracy to teach and advocate the overthrow of the United States Government by force and violence, put it this way.

Speaking in New York City not too long ago he said:

"One of the troubles with this great country of ours is that too many of us have abdicated to the self-seekers and those with particular axes to grind. We can preserve our heritage of freedom only if we will fight for it down in the arena where there is a chance of getting hurt."

Then he concluded, as will I, with this shocking, almost unbelievable story.

"In 1949," he said, "on the trial of the communist leaders, charged with conspiracy to teach and advocate the overthrow of the United States Government by force and violence, we started off with a challenge to the entire panel of jurors, based upon the claim that Negroes, housewives and working people had been systematically excluded from the jury list.

I id not at first realize that this was funnelled into three of the most important of the lines of communist propaganda.

"Anyway, it soon developed that there had been no such exclusion and I overruled the challenge. So we began to pick the jury with about 400 talesman in the courtroom.

"As I thought the case might take six weeks or two months to try, never dreaming that it could last from March into October, I suggested that we first dispose of the claims of all those who wished to be excused.

"The result was that every single business man or executive begged off. I was positively ashamed. Even in a case where our whole future might be at stake, for all they knew, not a single one of these substantial business men were willing to make the sacrifice.

"The result was that we had a jury composed of the very persons who were claimed to have been excluded: three Negroes, including a Negro woman as the foreman, a number of housewives and working people.

"My friends," Judge Medina concluded, "this is not a healthy sign."

The American Legion agrees. Further, we submit that it is just such indifference as this which can multiply to geometric proportions the power and danger of a so-called handful of communists in this country.

The communist conspiracy in America needs no help from us to endanger our security and survival. It is already a real and present danger that nourishes itself and grows on indifference and complacency.

It is up to you and me, to The American Legion and to other patriotic Americans to keep our fellow-citizens alert to the insidious, destructive evil in our midst.

There has come down to us through the years the warning that "eternal vigilance is the price of liberty."

I can think of a no more fitting note on which to conclude than the full text of this statement by John Curran.

He said:

"It is the common fate of the indolent to see their rights become a prey to the active. The condition upon which God hath given liberty to man is eternal vigilance; which condition if he break, servitude is at once the consequence of his crime and the punishment of his guilt."

Thank you for welcoming me home tonight.

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February 10, 1958

MR. TOLSON:

There is attached the brief manuscript of a speech to be given by the National Commander of The American Legion, John S. Gleason, Jr., at the Annual Law and Order Dinner; Chicago, Illinois, Tuesday, February 11, 1958. The speech concerns communism in its entirety and embraces the thinking of the Director along this line. The National Commander closely follows

the theme of the recent George Sokolsky column concerning the closing of the

"Daily Worker" and the resignation of John Gates from the Communist Party.

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February 11, 1958

Honorable John S. Gleacon, Jr.
National Commander
The American Legion - National Headquarters
700 North Pennsylvania Street
Indianapolis, Indiana

My dear Mr. Gleason:

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Your analysis as to the extent of the communist menace is excellent, and I only wish more people shared your perceptive insight into this danger. Personally, I am decely disturbed by the increased anathy of Americans, and unless we are eternally vigilant, our liberties will have disappeared. Our American Legionnaires have always been in the forefront in the fight against totalitarianism, whether it be fascist or communication editions of our great country are truly in your debt.

Keep up your good work--you are doing a

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Note: The bulk of Mr. Gleason's remarks have been taken from state ments by Mr. Hoover.

February 21, 1953

Mr. Low Brissic
Commissioner
American Legion Junior Baseball
The American Legion
National Headquarters
700 North Pennsylvania Street
Indianapolis 6, Indiana

Dear Mr. Brissie:

I have received your letter of February 17, 1953, and it was very kind of you to comment as you did concerning the Mickey Mouse Club program which featured the activities of this Bureau.

It is most gratifying to learn also of the favorable reception of this program by other parents active in youth organizations, and your thoughtfulness in this regard is deeply appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

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cc - Inspector Cartha D. DeLoach, with copy of incoming.

NOTE: Files reflect cordial relations with Lou Brissie in connection with American Legion activities, and there is no data of a derogatory nature identifiable with him in Bufiles. An autographed copy of The FBI Story' was presented to him in February, 1957; P. 10 111 111 2

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Mr. Tolson Mr. Boardman Mr. Belmont.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director Federal Bureau of Investigation United States Department of Justice Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am writing you with reference to the recent program carried on television which included a visit to the Bureau by a member of the Mickey Mouse Club.

I am the father of three children and it may interest you to know that they were quite impressed with the information pointed out through this program. There was also a considerable amount of favorable comment by the parents who are active in youth programs in our church and Cub Scout groups.

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the F. B. I. for the positive manner that was used in the presentation of this program.

Sincerely,

LOU BRISSIE, Commissioner American Legion Junior Baseball

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deserve the same attention as did He explained this by indicating he no doubt had information relating to FBI cases as a result of his activities as a confidential security informant and that he felt he should not release such information the witness stand unless it were proper to do so. He added that he didned know whether it would be proper or not unless a representative of the Justice Department was there to guide him was told that we could give him no information in this regard, that if his attorneys felt they needed to release information which he had acquired while a confidential security informant, they might desire to get in touch with the Justice Department prior to the release of such information. It was obvious at this point that was fishing for ways and means to get at Bureau files.	ı't
next brought up the question of whether the Bureau would indicate publicly that he had been a confidential security informant for purposes only of procuring information within the Communist Party and that he was not a actual avowed communist as such was told that we would make no such statement, that the FBI was not responsible for reading a man's mind, and that it was felt certain he should be able to realize this fact.	n b6
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Jim Day, Director of Public Relations for The American Legion, a good friend of the Bureau and personal contact of Inspector DeLoach, indicated that Charles Collatos would be in town until sometime this afternoon and Day expressed the hope that the Director might autograph a copy of his book "Masters of Deceit" to Collatos.

Bufiles reflect no unfavorable information identifiable with Charles N. Collatos. A cordial letter was sent to him on January 7, 1954, in his capacity as Vice Commander, Department of Massachusetts, The American Legion, 159 State House, Boston, Massachusetts. Collatos is very active in American Legion work and has expressed support of the Director to Jim Day.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the attached book, purchased by Mr. Day, be autographed to Charles N. Collatos. Inspector DeLoach will return the book to Mr. Day for delivery to Collatos.

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FROM G. A. NEASE

SUBJECT: NATIONAL AMERICANISM COMMISSION
THE AMERICAN LEGION - NATIONAL

APPROPRIATIONS FOR FBI

DATE: March 5, 19

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Bud/Tesch, national director, the Americanism Commission,
The American Legion, called Mr. DeLoach from Indianapolis 2-28-58. Tesch
stated he had just received a rumor that the FBI's appropriations had been cut
from 140 million dollars to 95 million dollars. He wanted to know if the rumor
was correct and, if so, did the FBI want the Legion to swing into immediate
action to rectify this bad judgment on the part of Congress.

Tesch was told that the Director would, of course, be very appreciative of his interest but that we had not requested 140 million dollars but a much smaller sum and that Congress had not as yet cut our appropriations in the least. He seemed very relieved and indicated that at any time such cuts were threatened, we should let the Legion know about it immediately.

There appears to be no need for a letter inasmuch as Tesch was thanked personally for his interest.

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March 11, 1953

Lir. James V. Day
Director
National Public Relations Commission
The American Legion
1603 K Street, Northwest
Washington 6. D. C.

Dear Mr. Day:

In accordance with the request contained in your lefter of Larch 7, 1953, I am forwarding to the National Commander a telegram of greetings, a copy of which is enclosed for your information. It is a pleasure to have been of service to you.

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosure

Telegram to Honorable John S. Gleason, Jr., dated 3-12-58.

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MERICAN LEGIO NATIONAL PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMISSIO Mr. Tolson. 1608 K STREET, N. W. Mr. Boardman. Mr. Belmont. WASHINGTON 6. D. C. Mr. Mohrf OFFICE OF THE Mr. Neaso NATIONAL DIRECTOR Mr. Parsons. Mr. Rosen. March 7, 1958 Mr. Tamm. Mr. Trotter. Mr. Clayton, Tele. Room Mr. Holloma Honorable J. Edgar Hoover Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington 25, D. C. Dear Mr. Hoover: The 39th National Birthday observance, marking the founding of The American Legion in Paris, France, will be held next Thursday noon in Chicago at the Morrison Hotel, with National Commander John S. Gleason, Jr., as the speaker. I know that the Commander would be very proud and privileged to read to that assembly of some one thousand people, a birthday greeting from yourself, as Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. From your own knowledge and experience you know what this organization has contributed to the Nation and its veterans through the major programs of Americanism, Rehabilitation, Child Welfare and National Security. Your birthday message to the Commander will highlight this contribution in a most eloquent and inspiring manner, I know. If you will be good enough to address the Commander with such greetings, on or before March 12, sent in care of Clarence E. Harper, Chairman American Legion 39th Birthday Celebration, 3642 South Jasper Place, Chicago 9, Illinois, it will be deeply appreciated. Sincerely yours, Director 94-1-11998-1331X REG- 67 E MAR 13 1958

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CONORABLE JOHN D. GLEACON, JR.
NATIONAL COMMANDER
THE AMERICAN LEGION
C/O MR. CLARENCE E. HARPER
3042 COUTH JASPER PLACE
CHICAGO 9. ILLINOIS

AND BEST WISHES TO YOU AND YOUR COMRADES ON THIRTY-HINTH
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AMERICAN LEGION, I KNOW YOUR PAST ACCOMPLISHMENTS WILL
SERVE MERELY AS A SPRINGBOARD FOR GREATER ACHIEVEMENTS
IN YEARS TO COME.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR FEDERAL BUILDAY OF INVESTIGATION

NOTE: By letter dated March 7, 1958, James V. Day, Director of Public Relations, The American Legion, requested a greeting from the Director to be read at a birthday party celebrating the 39th/National Birthday at Noon,

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HONORABLE JOHN S. GLEASON, JR.

NATIONAL COMMANDER

THE AMERICAN LEGION

C/O MR. CLARENCE E. HARPER

3642 SOUTH JASPER PLACE

CHICAGO 9, ILLINOIS

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR
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: MR. TOLSON

DATE: March 11, 1958

FROM : G. A. NEASE

SUBJECT: REGION 5XAMERICANISM CONFERENCE

THE AMERICAN LEGION

COVERING STATES OF FLORIDA, GEORGIA, ALABAMA, AND SOUTH CAROLINA

Dans Legion-Natical Judge Vernal R. Jansen, Mobile, Alabama, by letter dated 3-9-58 has advised Mr. DeLoach of the results of The American Legion Americanism Conference which covered the States of Florida, Georgia, Alabama, and South Carolina, held February 22-23, 1958, in Atlanta, Georgia. It was indicated that the meetings were well attended and discussions were quite active and thorough. Jansen stated that specific note should be called to the report of this conference, a copy of which was attached to his letter and which is attached hereto. On page 4 under the caption "Counter Subversive Activities, "the statement is made, "It was found that the F.B.I. contacts

with the various Departments were most excellent and there was a perfect liaison maintained between the F.B.I. Officers and Legion Officials in these four Departments. The statement is particularly significant in view of the comments being made from the States of Florida, Georgia, Alabama, and South Carolina and speaks well for the offices in those territories.

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For information.

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REGION FIVE AMERICANISM CONFERENCE FEBRUARY 22-23, 1958 GEORGIAN TERRACE HOTEL, ATLANTA, GEORGIA

V. R. JANSEN, CHAIRMAN

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 o'clock a.m. by the Chairman, V. R. Jansen, representing the National Americanism Commission. The following representatives were in attendance: Gilbert P. Richardson, Florida; Ame Franklin, George P. Montgomery, and W. B. Steis, Georgia; Dr. B. F. Austin, Lewis E. McCray, and Commander John H. Wienand, Jr., Alabama; and Clifton G. Brown, Homer Coker, A. B. Fennell, and Commander W. C. Flowden, Jr., South Carolina. Since the attendance was small and the four Departments were represented by no more than four delegates each, it was decided that the entire group would act as participants in all discussions and there would be no panel break-down with a review by the entire group.

Promptly after assembly, a schedule was adopted and the Conference began its consideration of each of the responsibilities under the Americanism program.

BOYS STATE

Each of the Departments represented had been very successful in the operation of this project. The Department of South Carolina is preparing to move its Boys State from its present location to the State University. The details of the operation of this project were thoroughly discussed, including the use of high school coaches and highway patrol officers as counsellors, the popularity among the boys of the various programs and lectures offered, the universal improvement in behavior and control of this project, the costs of room and board and the screening procedure used. A suggestion was made and favorably accepted that the Directors in the four Departments try to arrange to attend one or more of the Boys States offered by the other Departments. The Department of Florida explained the use of the highway patrol as counsellors and the Department of Alabama explained the use of high school ceaches. Both seemed to have brought about a considerable improvement in the control and interest of the boys. The Conference approved the present Boys State Conference for Directors and Committee heads as now held in Indianapolis each year. The feeling of the Conference was that this program could not be carried out under a national pattern and the Departments should maintain complete responsibility for the program - ENGERGE offered.

BOY SCOUTS, L-H CLUBS, AND BOYS CLUBS

The Conference discussed these and other youth programs extensively. The growing difficulties of sponsoring Boy Scout, 4-H and other youth activities under the control of other agencies were forecably demonstrated by the reports from some of the delegates. The growing difficulty of securing volunteer workers in the Post to

properly supervise these programs was admitted and regretfully taken into account.

The thought of the Conference was unanimous in continuing to recommend these projects as Community Service programs for the Post but that none of these programs should be emphasized to the degree that the <u>Logion</u> programs should be neglected.

SAFETY PROGRAMS

The Department of Florida reported on a successful safety program and the Department of Alabama reported a joint program conducted by The American Legion, the V.F.W. and the State Highway Patrol, by which Legionnaires in uniform or caps, in company with a uniformed Highway Patrol are stationed all over the State on certain week-ends of the year and stop all traffic on the highway, giving to each driver a small pamphlet about safety driving and cautioning the driver about that week-end congestion of traffic. Surveys indicated that on these week-ends the accident incidents were sharply reduced. The Conference felt that a safety program was a splendid community service program for each Post and should be recommended as a program under this category but the details would have to be adapted to each Department or Post. The Conference did not feel that a national program of any kind should be undertaken by The American Legion as a complete Legion project.

ORATORICAL AND ESSAY CONTESTS

These programs are programs of The American Legion and participation should be required as far as possible of each Post. The Conference recommends that the whole program should be started in November of each year so that the school and Post elimination can be out of the way before the Christmas holidays. The Conference considered and agreed that no Department should limit the program by requiring the essays or craticular to be written on any one certain subject, believing that by such procedure the child participating will be penalized in regional or final contest. It was the thought of the Conference that the Essay Contest should be given more stimulus to secure a wider participation. The Conference also agreed that in conducting the Oratorical Contest at the school and Post level, the extemperaneous feature of the contest should be required so that the contestant who had memorized an oration prepared with outside assistance would be eliminated early in the contest.

JUNIOR BASEBALL

The Conference had the benefit of experts in this field and all the problems relating to this program were thoroughly debated. The Conference recommends that in order to reduce the expense to the sponsoring Post, loss emphasis be put on complete uniform and up to Department Championship Play, the team be permitted to wear T-shirts, bluejean pants and a cap or similar inexpensive uniforms. The Conference recommends that the South Carolina method of play-off of the State championship be considered by all Departments as a method of financing the program

in their Department, that is, a big league home and home schedule of seven games. The Conference recommends consideration of a Two (\$2.00) Dollar registration fee for each toam registered for the use of National Headquarters, although this recommendation is not unanimous as it was felt by some delegates that even this small fee would be a further detriment to sponsorship of a team. The Committee recommends that the Director of this program re-examine the situation as to Class A high schools with a view to limiting Class A's to schools of five thousand or more attendance and that some rule be adopted which will permit a team with less than the full rester to draft players after getting in tournament play.

BACK TO GOD

Much time was devoted to a discussion of this project and a report of success of the Departments in its sponsorship. Reports indicated that the project is now being conducted largely by Department Chaplains, which does not permit sufficient emphasis. The Conference agreed that a manual should be prepared for the use of Post Officers, explaining the program and recommending procedure for Post implementation. The present handbook, which may be secured for fifteen cents, has been widely distributed but apparently has not reached the Post officials. A great deal of discussion ensued about the preparation of a Post Officers Handbook, which would include in the one booklet an abbreviated analysis of each of the Legion's Americanism responsibilities with a reference to manuals or booklets on each of these subjects in greater detail. Some of the Department Officials present reported that even with the Department and Adjutant Conforence held in the early part of the year and with the multitude of pamphlet information, there is a lack of familiarity with many of these programs until the service of the Post or Department Officer is about at its end. The Conference recommends that a study be made by the Commission of preparing a primer for Post Commanders, which will include in the one booklet, a brief analysis of all of these projects with information where more detailed manuals or booklets can be secured, and further recommends that the Departments undertake the responsibility of getting these primers in the hands of the newly elected Post Officials immediately after-the-amual-Department-Convention

HHIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION

The Conference re-affirmed its support of the McCarran Immigration Act and reaffirmed its opposition to any amendments which would change the policy established by this Act.

COUNTER SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES

This subject brought a lively discussion because of the recent experiences of the Departments in attendance. The Department of Florida had actively supported a

legislative investigative committee and became somewhat responsible for the actions of that committee. The committee had some unfortunate experiences and the Legion program in the Department of Florida was handicapped by these mistakes. The other Departments reported local situations where persons or publications of small influence existed which were apparently tied in with a national effort to destroy our form of government. The Conference unanimously agreed that the positive youth programs were the greatest defense against subversive activity. It was recommended that an effort be made to prevent the importation and distribution of the tremendous amount of Communist publications sent to this country from overseas either by new regulations in the Post Office Department or some other legal action. It was recommended that Posts do not establish vigilante or amateur committees to investigate and report on subversive activities on a local level but that the problem be placed on the Department. It was found that the F.B.I. contacts with the various Departments were most excellent and there was a porfect liaison maintained between the F.B.I. Officers and Legion Officials in these four Departments. The Conference opposed The American Logion's National office londing its support to any individual office holder even though he might be an ally in the fight against Communism, believing that the fortunes of any politician are too unpredictable for The American Legion to associate itself with. We do recommend that an awards and messages of approbation be distributed to those public servants who have distinguished themselves in the support of the Legion's program.

The use of a textbook against Communism was thoroughly discussed and debated and the Conference recommends that the submitted textbook or something similar be endorsed by the National Commission and recommended to the textbook division of the various State Departments of Education. Those attending the Conference had not been privileged to read the textbook now under consideration and could not give an unqualified endorsement to this particular book.

The Conference reaffirmed its belief that the Convention in Los Angeles, in requesting an investigation of N.A.A.C.P. for Communistic affiliation was correct in its suspicion and that if the resolution of that Convention had been immediately implemented, much of the subversive work in this area would have been discontinued. It appears to the delegates at this Conference that the N.A.A.C.P. is being masterminded and its programs prepared and implemented by persons of Communistic sympathies.

The Conference recommended that in Department publications, such as the monthly news sheet, more space be given to articles on Communistic activities as related to the area embraced by that particular Department.

SCHOOL AWARDS

It was the thought of the Conference that this program is being handicapped by the lack of liaison between the school officials and the Legion Post, which is discussed in a later paragraph;

EDUCATION

This subject was reserved for discussion as the last item of the agenda because the delegates felt that the larger part of the youth programs of The American Legion depended in a great degree on a cooperative spirit of endeavor by Post officials and school officials. The Conference reluctantly concluded that the cooperative and mutually dependable attitude which existed twenty years ago between the public schools and The American Logion, has been lost. The Conference concludes that the responsibility for this change may be laid to many things, a Post Commandor demanding of a local high school principal, at the last minute, that the Oratorical Contest, Essay Contest, School Awards program or similar projects be taken on by the school; the Legion's stand on Federal Aid to Education; the lack of contact with N.E.A.; the feeling on the part of professional educators that the Legion is dealing in a field where the legion officials are amateurs and the school officials are professionals; the present day adequate provisions for public school education, which do not make it so essential for active Legionnaires to fight for school appropriations or public school support, are only some of the matters mentioned which have affected the relationship between the Legion Post and the school. The "Social Club Legion Post", which maintains a bar room and is known in the neighborhood for nothing except the fact that the Club stays open on Sundays, has given the school administrator an excuse for failing to accept the Legion's program in the school. The Conference recommends that there must be a closer relationship with school administration, from the National Commission, to the Commander of the smallest Legion Post. The Conference recommends that on the election of Department and Post officials, one of their first official acts should be to confer with the school authorities and to explain the Legion's program, requesting, not demanding, that the program be considered and implemented by the school. The Conference recommends that in the Department Committees, a Department Chairman be appointed whose title shall be "Chairman, Americanism in School Affairs", that this Chairman be given the duty of maintaining a close working relationship with the schools in the Department and that the large Posts be encouraged to have such a standing committee of the Post. This Conference recommends for the appointment to this Committee, men or women, who have a thorough understanding of the public school system and at the same time understand and approve the Americanism program in all its details. The Conference considered the "Mark-Clark Plan" for a school to be operated on unused Army installations under

the direction of Reserve and Regular Officers which will give the young high school student who cannot qualify for Boys State, a two or three weeks study similar to the program conducted by Boys State. The idea is acceptable to the Conference but some of the details may be in conflict with Legion policy and may be such as the Departments composing this Conference would not accept them. The South Carolina Department is unanimously in support of this program. The Conference believes that the National Commission should study this plan and if possible, to work out a detailed program which carries out the idea of General Clark and which would be acceptable to the Army. We believe such a program should be started as one of the many efforts to teach positive Americanism and to combat delinquency problems.

As a summary, this Conference recommends:

- 1. That Regional Conferences be continued in the future but that they be held within two or three months after the Department Convention so that the Department officers may become thoroughly familiar with the Americanism program and the responsibility they have as Department officers or chairmon. The Department of Florida has its convention in May and a Regional Conference held in February or March is of little value to Americanism Chairmen who will go out of office in May.
- 2. The deterioration of the cordial relationship between the public school administrator and the Legion Post has become apparent and these relationships should be restored from the headquarters of the National organization down to the grade school teacher.
- 3. The counter-subversive activities should not be placed in the hands of overzealous amateurs who will lead the Post, Department or the National organization into the commission of errors which have to be apologized for later. All of the benefits of investigating committees can be lost by reckless charges and general condemnations, which later are made to appear as erroneous.

The Conference believes that a positive training and teaching program like the youth activities, the textbook on Communism and intelligent explanation of the American way of life, are the greatest veapons against the salesmanship of the Communist Party.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ V. R. Janson, Chairman Chairman Georgia Delegation Chairman Alabama Delegation Chairman South Carolina Delegation Chairman Florida Delegation

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	то :	Mr. Tolson	April .	DATE: March 14	4, 1958			
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	Captioned individual has proved to be a staunch Bureau supporter for several years. He has been particularly helpful during national conventions in matters concerning resolutions. He insists at all times that Legion employees at National Headquarters be thoroughly cooperative. He is a close personal friend of DeLoach and also of Special Agent Hanning of the Crime Records Section of this Division. The Director has met Hauck on two occasions. At the present time, Mr. Hauck is confined to his home as a result of severe bronchitis. He will undergo surgery in the near future. It is felt that a letter from the Director would cheer him up considerably at this time.							
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March 14, 1958

Mr. Lou Brissie Commissioner American Legion Junior Baseball American Legion National Headquarters 700 North Pennsylvania Street Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Mr. Brissie:

Inspector C. D. DeLoach has advised me of the new baseball handbook which is being prepared for distribution to American Legion Posts throughout the Nation. In accordance with your request, it is a pleasure to enclose a brief statement and a photograph for publication in the

handbook. MAR 1 4 1958 COMM-F81

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Sincerely yours, J. Edgar Hoover

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Enclosures (2) Photo 11-12 cc - Mr. DeLoach, with copy of statement.

NOTE: Address of American Legion National Headquarters per mailing list card of National Commander John S. Gleason, Jr. See imemo from M. A. Jones to Mr. Nease dated 3-12-58, captioned "Statement for American Legion Junior Baseball Handbook." GWG:mr Statement clement w Bot Diamis, aspt.,

I welcome the opportunity to endorse such outstanding activities for youth as the Junior Baseball program of The American Legion. Invaluable lessons in good citizenship can be learned on the field of sports. Clean athletic competition teaches boys to respect the spirit as well as the letter of the rules, to value teamwork above mere individual performances; and to recognize both the outstanding qualities and the shortcomings in themselves and others.

When good sportsmanship and top physical conditioning characterize the players on both teams, it matters little who ultimately wins the game. For, in reality, no one loses under circumstances such as these.

T. Edgar Hooyer

ohn Edgar Hoover Director

NOTE: This is enclosure to letter dated 3-14-58 to Mr. Lou Brissie, Commissioner, American Legion Junior Baseball, American Legion National Headquarters, 700 North Pennsylvania Street, Indianapolis, Indiana. GWG: geg NUY

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MR. RICHARD C. CADWALLADER 304 LOUISIANA NATIONAL BANK BUILDING BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA

DUE TO URGENT MATTERS WHICH HAVE ARISEN REQUIRING PRESENCE
OF INSPECTOR C. D. DeLOACH IN WASHINGTON, IT WILL BE
IMPOSSIBLE FOR HIM TO APPEAR BEFORE YOUR GROUP THREE
TWENTY NINE FIFTY EIGHT IN SHREVEPORT, LA.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

cc-Mr. Jones

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THE AMERICAN LEGIO NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

700 NORTH PENNSYLVANIA ST .-- P. O. BOX 1055

INDIANAPOLIS 6, IND.

March 18, 1958

IN REPLY REFER TO DATE AND, NO.

304 Louisiana National Bank Building Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Mr. C. D. DeLoach Special Investigator Federal Bureau of Investigation Department of Justice Washington, D. C.

Dear Deke:

I want to thank you very much for coming to our 6th Regional Americanism Conference to speak on behalf of the F.B.I. A copy of the advance program is attached for your information. You will note that you are listed as the sole speaker at our Dinner Meeting on Saturday evening, March 29. I trust that the way I have you listed is satisfactory.

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Several weeks ago, I talked to Congressman Overton Brooks of Louisiana and solicited his help in getting a speaker on communism. When I got ready to send the program to the printer, I Demockating outled him at wasnington and he said that he had not been able to Democks and get anyone. So, I presumed that the matter was ended. Yesterday, called him at Washington and he said that he had not been able to much to my surprise, Congressman Brooks called me from Washington and said that he had invited the Provost Marshal General of the Army, General Hayden Boatner, to speak at the 6th Regional Ameri-canism Conference and he had accepted. He wanted to know when General Boatner would speak and this put me in a quandry since I had filled up the schedule of the Saturday and Sunday morning General Sessions with speakers after I had presumed that I would not get a speaker on communism through Congressman Brooks! efforts.

> The only possible opening was to have him speak at the Dinner Meetin on Saturday evening along with you and so I have fixed his talk at the Dinner Meeting along with yours.

94-1-11998-1335) I hope that you want mind too much sharing the spotlight on Sat urday evening with General Boather - REG 18.

If you would like Raymond Camus, the local Chairman for the ence, to make a hotel reservation for you either write MAR RIM 1958 direct or let me know and I will Jwriteato him.

am looking forwards, I am, I am looking forward to seeing you at Shreveport.

Richard C. Cadwallader

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C. A. Tesch, Lee Pennington, James F. Daniel, Raymond Camus

Dr. Garland D. Murphy. Jr.

Enclosure to 3-10-58 re:

- Information Concerning - Police Cooperation (fingerprints & photograph of

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PROGRAM

FRIDAY EVENING, MARCH 28

5:00-9:00 P.M. Registration-Coptain Shreye Hotel

6:00 P. M.—Informal Reception and Fellowship—Captain Shreve Hotel

7:30 P.M.-Buffet Supper-Captain Shreve Hotel

9:00 P.M.—Showing of Legion Film—"Sters & Stripes on Display"— Captain Shreve Hotel, -(Consult Bulletin Board in Hotel Lobby for Room Number)

SATURDAY, MORNING, MARCH 29

8:00 A.M.—Registration—Main Lobby, Captain Shreve Hotel

9:00 A.M.—OPENING OF GENERAL SESSION—"Gordon Room,"
Captain Shreve Hotel

Presiding: Judge Bernard J. Bagert, Member, National Finance Commission, The American Legion

- (1) Call to Order
- (2) Advancing of Colors—Color Guard, Lowe-McFarlane, Port No. 14, The American Legion
- (3) Invocation—Rev. James R. Sewell, Pastor, Partdale Methodist Church, Chairman, Religious Emphasis Committee, Department of Artansas
- (4) Preamble
- (5) Pledge of Allegiance
- (6) Addresses of Welcome:
 - (a) Raymond F. Camus—Commander, Lowe-McFarlane Post No. 14
 - (b) Hon, James Gardner, Mayor of Shreveport
 - (c) Hon. Frank Brown, President, Caddo Perish Police Jury (d) Albert V. LaBiche, National Executive Committeemen, De-
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 (e) Murphy Moss—Commander, Department of Louisiana

 (f) Maurice S. Pender, Grand Chaf de Gare, Grande Voiture
 - (1) Maunce S. Yender, Grand Chet de Gare, Grande Voiture of Louisiana, Forty & Eight
 - (g) Mrs. Gladys Loson—President, American Lagion Auxiliary, Louisiana Department
- [7] Purposes of Conference—Richard C. Cadwallader, Chairman, Sixth Regional Americanism Conference.
- (8) Address—Colonel Charles E. Doerler, Representing National Safety Council, Chicago—"Organizing Local Program of Public Health and Safety." Questions and Answers From Hoor,
- Address—Thomas J. Craighead, Regional Director, Boys' Clubs of America—"Sponsoring Effective Youth Programs." Questions and Answers From Floor.
- (10) Address—Jack Cox, Member, National Boys' State Committee, The American Legion, Houston, Texas—"Community Service," Questions and Answers From Floor.
- [11] Address—E. N. Luce, President, National School Boards Association, Midland, Michigan—"Current Problems Confronting Education." Overstions and Answers From Floor.
- (12) Address—Frederick Ward, Jr., Southern Director National Probation and Parole Assn., Austin, Texas—"Combating Juvenile Delinquency." Questions and answers from floor.
- (13) Announcements
- [14] Benediction Roscoe Campbell, Chaplain, Lowe-McFarlane Post No. 14, The American Legion, Shreveport.
- (15) Retire Colors—Color Guard, Lowe-McFarlane, Post No. 14, The American Legion
- (16) Adjourn.

SATURDAY LUNCHEON, MARCH 29-LAKE ROOM

12:15 P.M. Noon-Ceptain Shreve Hotel

Master of Ceremonies—Louis Cook, Vice Chairman National

Americanism Commission, Tupelo, Missistippi

Prayer of Graco—Rev. George Ivey, Chaplain, Department of

Arthansas, Springdale, Arthansas

Speater: Lee M. Sharrar, Houston, Teas, Vice President, National Municipal League—"Improving Local Government"

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, MARCH 29

ROUNDTABLE WORKSHOPS—Everyone Participates

2:00 P.M. to 3:30 P.M. (Ist group)
3:40 P.M. to 5:40 P.M. [2nd group]
[At Legion Gubbouse at Cross Late—Transportation to and from Hotel provided by Locomolive of Voiture No. 137, 40 & 8—Shreveport) Questions and Discussions Invited.

2:00 P.M. to 3:30 P.M.—Group 1.

WORKSHOP No. 1 "PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY" 2:00 P.M.

Scope of Topic: School safety patrols: community safety councils; ambulance facilities; high school driver education; civil defense, health and safety activities; fire fighting equipment and personnel; mutual aid organizations; use of publicity media; building codes; fire prevention weeks; auxiliary fire and police units; emorgency vehicles and personnel; improvement of traffic courts; motor vehicle inspection; hospital auxiliary groups; nursing homes; bicycle safety training; blood banks and donon; polio weats; fire prevention codes; homes for egod; nursing training and personnel; public health units and departments.

MODERATOR: John E. Coyne, Chairman, National Accident Prevention Committee, The American Legion

VICE-MODERATOR: Raymond F. Camus, Commander, Lowe-Mc-Farlane, Post No. 14.

PANEL MEMBERS:

- (1) Dr. Garland C. Murphy, Jr., National Executive Committeeman, Department of Arkansas
- (2) Mrs. Russell Elliott, Chairman, Americanism Committee, American Legion Auxiliary, Mississippi Department
- (3) L. Everett Page, Member, National Americanism Commission, The American Legion, Carthage, Texas

WORKSHOP No. 11-"UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES AND COUNTER SUBVERSION" 2:00 P.M.

Scope of Topic: Methods of fighting communism; information services regarding subversives; cooperation with the F.B.I., Sherifts and Police in subolage and subversion cases; the All-America Conference; activities by Congressional and Stafe Legislative Committees; "The Fining Line"; Defending and Preserving Constitutional Freedom; exposure of subversive groups, programs and individuals; Fund for the Republic; American Civil Liberties Union; tertbook review and analysis; foreign students; cultural exchanges with foreign countries; propaganate through the mails; UNESCO; community forums on communism; Control Intelligence Agency; Foreign aid; United Nations and its agencies; tantifs and reciprocal trade; organized courses of study or lectures in the school seaching the exils and fallacies of communism as contrasted with the benefits of democracy in our republic; high school exchange students; radio, movies, TV.

MODERATOR: Albert V. LaBiche, National Executive Committeeman, Department of Louisiana, The American Legion

VICE MODERATOR AND SECRETARY: Hugh Wolverion, Chairman, Committee on Un-American Activities, Department of Missisterioni

PANEL MEMBERS:

- (1) John Gibson, Chairman, Counter Subversive Committee, Department of Arkanses
- (2) Festus J. Brown, Chairman, 1st District Americanism Committee, Department of Louisiana
- [3] Mrs. J. O. Porter, President, American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Mississippi

WORKSHOP No. III—"STRENGTHENING RELIGION AND FAM-ILY LIFE" 2:00 P.M.

Scope of Topic: Encouraging attendance of church, synagogue and Sunday school; graco before meet cards; family counseling service; use of billboards, TV, radio and newspapers; family prayers; building individual character; brotherhood programs; availability of books on religion; interdenominational athletic competition; development of tolerance between various faiths; visitation by clergymen to hospitals; cooperation with religious consuses; Back to God programs; father and of dinners; family nights; community wide days of prayer; putting Christ back into Christmas; interdenominational Easter Sunsias Services.

MODERATOR: Rev. James R. Sewell, Chairman, Religious Emphasis Committee, Department of Arkansas

VICE MODERATOR AND SECRETARY: Tommy Mills, Vice Chairman Americanism Council, Department of Mississippi

PANEL MEMBERS

- (1) Rev. Art M. Baker, Chaplain, Department of Louisiana
- (2) Mrs. Karl Talkington, Chairman, Americanism Committee, American Legion Auxiliary, Texas Department
- (3) Fred Metcalfe, Commander, Department of Miss.

Showing of National Film Telecast of 1958 "Back to God Program"

WORKSHOP No, IY—"IMMIGRATION & NATURALIZATION POL-ICIES AND PROGRAMS" 2:00 P.M.

Scope of Topic: Naturalization ceremonies in the courts; sponsoring closses for aliens; finding jobs for immigrants; deportation of
eliens; reasons for present immigration policies; meaning and
operation of the quote system; handling "Wetbacks"; reporting
by eliens; immigrants as migratory labor; citizenship training for
eliens; wives and children of immigrants; control of communists
and subversives through McCarren-Walter Act; whys and wherefores of our present immigration lews and regulations; effect of
birtharto on immigration policy; displaced persons; refugees; political andum.

MODERATOR: John Johnson, Chairman, Americanism Council,
Department of Mississippi

VICE MODERATOR AND SECRETARY: Richard C. Codwallader, Member National Americanism Commission, The American Legion

PANEL MEMBERS:

- [1] Murphy Moss, Commander, Department of Louisiana
- (2) Louis Cook, Vice Chairman, National Americanism Commission, The American Legion
- (3) Maurice S. Pender, Grand Chef de Gare, Grande Voiture of Louisiana, Forty and Eight

3:40 P.M. to 5:10 P.M.—Group 2

WORKSHOP No. Y—"IMPROVING LOCAL COMMUNITIES" 3:40 P.M.

Scope of Topic: Recreation and physical fitness programs; when planning; parts; playgrounds; improving courts and the administration of justice; transportation; strengthening local government; improving housing, highways, drainage and sewerage; Christmes baskets; programs for senior citizens; concerts; symphonies; general and special programs of community service.

MODERATOR: J. H. "Swede" Morris, Chairman, Americanism Committee, Department of Louisiana

ADVANCE REGISTRATION FOR SIXTH REGIONAL AMERICANISM CONFERENCE THE AMERICAN LEGION

March 28-30, 1958 Captain Shreve Hotel Shreveport, Louisiana

TO: Raymond F. Camus, Local Chairman 1302 Louisiana Avenue Shraveport, Louisiana

[1] Please register me for the Conference
(2) Reserve a room for me at the Captain Shreve Hotel
Singlo Double Twin
Expected Time of Arrival:
Expected Time of Departure:
(3) Costs Per Person: Check List:
(a) Registration fee\$2.50
(b) Luncheon (Saturday, March 28)
(c) Dinner · Dance (Saturday, Mar. 29) 3.50
(d) Combination fee for those who register
for all events
Check enclosed for
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Please make checks psyable to "6th Regional Americanism Conference" and return with this reservation to Raymond F, Camus, Local Chairman

(Your registration badge will be given to you at the Registration Desk in the Lobby of the Captain Shreve Hotel)

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AMERICAN LEGION
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VICE MODERATOR AND SECRETARY: Sam W. Waggoner, Alternate National Executive Committeeman, Department of Misiggizzia

PANEL MEMBERS:

- (1) R. C. Gusman, Chairman, Community Service Committee, Department of Texas
- (2) Mary Lou J. Knight, National Executive Committeewoman, American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Louisiana
- (3) Jack Cox, Member, National Boys' State Committee, The American Legion, Houston, Texas

WORKSHOP No. YI-"SUPPORTING PUBLIC EDUCATION" 3:40 P.M.

Scope of Topic: American Legion School Awards: American Legion National High School Oratorical Contests: revision and improvement of school curricula; better utilization of school facilities; twelve months operation of schools; teachers salaries and training; vocational guidance; personal counseling; review, revision and improvement of textbooks and students workbooks; educational TV: use of tape recorders, audio-visual materials and radio in instruction; school library facilities; cost, design and financing of school facilities; the gifted child; the place of vocational training; the role and place of athletics and physical training in school programs; scholarships; testing procedures; after hour use of schools.

MODERATOR: Frazier R. Thompson, Chairman, Education Division, Department of Mississippi

VICE MODERATOR AND SECRETARY: Mrs. Era Branch, Chairman, Americanism Committee, American Legion Auxiliary, Louisiana Department

PANEL MEMBERS:

- (1) Claude Carpenter, Jr., Commander, Department of Arkansas, The American Legion
- (2) Albert D. Brown, Jr., National Executive Committeeman, Department of Texas
- (3) Rabbi David Lefkowitz, Past National Chaplain, The American

WORKSHOP No. VII—"YOUTH PROGRAMS AND COMBATTING JUYENILE DELINQUENCY" 3:40 P.M.

Scope of Topic: American Legion Junior Baseball; Sons of the American Legion; Boy Scouts; Girl Scouts; Camp Fire Girls; Boys Clubs; 4H Clubs; FFA; Teen Age Councils; Juvenile Juries; Vocational Counseling; Job Clinics; Cleaninghouses for part time and summer jobs; summer camps; hobby classes; athletic tourna-ments; detention homes; probation officers; supervised dances and parties; Halloween Night activities; Junior achievement programs; special swimming, personality, cooking, bowling and dancing classes; working permits for minors; junior sheriff and police programs; teen age canteens; youth forums and talent shows on radio and TV; encouragement of nursing education; juvenile and family court advisory councils.

MODERATOR: Fred Williams, Chairman, Junior Baseball Committee, Department of Arkansas

VICE MODERATOR AND SECRETARY: Hanks G. Flannagan, Chairmen Youth Activities Division, Department of Mississippi

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- [1] Judge C. D. Williams, Chairman, Americanism Committee, Grande Voiture of Mississippi, 40 & 8
- [2] Rev. George Ivey, Chaplain, Department of Arkansas
- (3) Frederick Ward, Jr., Southern Director, National Probation and Parole Assn.

WORKSHOP No. VIII—"ENCOURAGING PATRIOTISM AND EF-FECTIVE CITIZENSHIP" 3:40 P.M.

Scope of Topic: American Legion Boys' States: American Legion Auxiliary Girls' States: American Legion Boys' Nation: American Legion Auxiliary Girls' Nation; Flag Education and Etiquette; Encouraging registration of voters; proper care and maintenance of monuments, cemeteries and memorials; use of color quards; observance of Constitution and Citizenship Day; United States Flag Code; Pledge of Allegiance; Patriotic music; American Lagion City, County and Parish Government Days; Use of American Legion Firing Squads and Honor Guards; displaying Old Glory; Get Out the Vote Compaigns; Hag Sale Campaigns; observance of patriotic holidays; planning for Memorial Day, July 4th and Veterans' Day; Schools of Instruction on operation of Government; use of forums, classes, study groups, TV, and radio to explain and discuss constitutional freedoms, bill of rights, the free enterprise system, private ownership of property, our government structure and operations, our capitalistic economy and individual rights and duties of citizens.

MODERATOR: W. R. Lowry, Chairman, Americanism Committee, Department of Texas

VICE MODERATOR AND SECRETARY: Ralph M. Goodwin, National Executive Committeeman, Department of Mississippi

- [1] Ned Moseley, Department Chairman and Director, Boys' State Committee, Department of Arkansas
- [2] Sam Orchard, Drapeau National, Forty, and Eight
- [3] T. A. Dichiara, Chairman, Patriotic Programs. Committee, Department of Mississippi

SATURDAY EVENING DINNER, MARCH 29th

7:30 P.M.-DINNER (Legion Clubhouse, Cross Lake, South Lakeshore Drive)

MASTER OF CEREMONIES: Dr. Garland C. Murphy, Jr., National Executive Committeeman, Department of Arkansas PRAYER OF GRACE: Rev. James T. Sewell, Chairman, Religious Emphasis Committee, Department of Arkansas

SPEAKER: Inspector C. D. DeLoach, Department Commander, Dist. of Columbia, Representing, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C. "Protecting Our Internal Security"

9:00 P.M.-DANCING-Legion Clubhouse

SUNDAY MORNING, MARCH 30

9:30 A.M.-CLOSING GENERAL SESSION-Garden Room, Captain Shreve Hotel

PRESIDING: Albert D. Brown, Jr., National Executive Committeeman, Department of Texas

- (2) Advancing Colors-Color Guard, Lowe-McFarlane Post No. 14
- [3] Invocation-Rabbi David Lefkowitz, Temple B'Nai Zion, Shreveport, Past National Chaplain, The American Legion
- (4) Preamble
- (5) Pledge of Allegiance
- (6) Address—Crote Anderson, Cheirman, Committee on Immi-gration, Nelional Americanism Commission, The American Le-gion, Canton, Oito, "A Current Look At Immigration and Naturalization Activities"
- (7) Reports—By the Moderators of each of the eight Conference Workshops (Each report will be subject to questions and discussion from the floor)
- (8) Address-S. Perry Brown, Past National Commander, The American Legion, Beaumont, Texas, "Our Americanism Pro-
- (9) Summary of Conference-Richard C. Cadwallader, Chairman, Sixth Regional Conference
- (10) Announcements
- (11) Benediction-Roscoe Campbell, Chaplain, Lowe-McFarlane Post No. 14
- (12) Retire Colors
- 12:30 P.M.—CONFERENCE CLOSES

AN INVITATION AND ANNOUNCEMENT

OF

SIXTH REGIONAL

AMERICANISM CONFERENCE

AMERICAN LEGION

(for states of Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi)

MARCH 28-30, 1958

CAPTAIN SHREVE HOTEL

SHREVEPORT

All Legionnaires, Auxiliary members, Voyaguers and their families and friends are cordially invited to attend.



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Tele. Room. Mr. Holloman. Miss Gandy.

March 20, 1958

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover Director Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

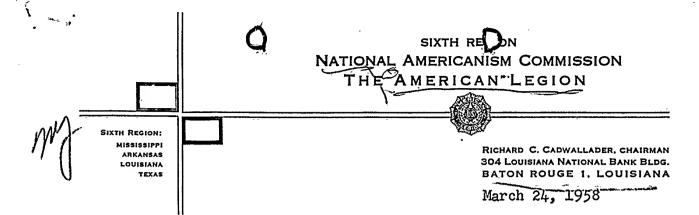
PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMISSION

Again our sincere appreciation for your willingness to cooperate in our request on the telegram of greetings for The American Legion's birthday celebration.

We are grateful to you for your many courtesies and kindnesses to our organization.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely. ational Director 8 MAR 26 1958



Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director Federal Bureau of Investigation Department of Justice Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

This will acknowledge your telggram of March 21st advising that due to urgent matters which have arisen requiring the presence of Inspector C. D. DeLoach in Washington, he will be unable to speak on behalf of the F.B.I. at our Sixth Regional Americanism Conference at Shreveport on March 29, 19589

Needless to say, we are most disappointed to learn that Inspector DeLoach cannot be with us since we were looking forward to his address as one of the high spots of the conference.

Very sincerely yours,

James F. Daniel cc: C. A. Tesch

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TO FOSTER AND PERPETUATE AMERICAN IDEALS

Memorandum . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT DATE: March 2 : MR. TOLSON . G. A. NEASE Tolson Boardman Belmont Mohr Negse Parsons Rosen subject: G. E. SIPPLE Tamm NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEMAN Trotter Clayton THE AMERICAN LEGION Tele. Room DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN G. E. "Emory" Tople, National Executive Committeeman of The American Legion, Department of Wisconsin, is an ardent backer of the FBI. He has been most helpful to Mr. DeLoach in matters concerning the National Americanism Commission of The American Legion. He has forwarded a copy of "Masters of Deceit" with the hope that the Director will autograph it personally to him. It would be appreciated if this could be done. The book should be returned to DeLoach's office for mailing to Mr. Sipple. 18 MAR 28 1958 EX-135 Enclosure cc-Mr. Jones CDD: jmr((3)

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Mr. Tolson

DATE: April 10, 1958

FROM: G. A. Nease

SUBJECT: NATIONAL AMERICANISM COMMISSION

THE AMERICAN LEGION.

MEETINGS MONDAY, APRIL 28,

TUESDAY, APRIL 29, 1958 INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

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Messrs. DeLoach and Hanning of this Division have been requested by National Headquarters of The American Legion to attend the National Americanism Commission meetings on the above dates in Indianapolis, Indiana. DeLoach is a member of the Americanism Commission. Hanning is scheduled to meet with the Countersubversive Section of the Commission.

A great number of resolutions effecting internal security will be brought up at the two meetings. These resolutions, if passed, will be brought before the national convention on September 4, 1958, in Chicago, Illinois. Of paramount importance, the Director's book "Masters of Deceit" will be discussed at these meetings. A decision will be made as to whether this book will be placed by The American Legion in high schools throughout the United States for purposes of initiating study courses on communism.

Messrs. DeLoach and Hanning, if approved to go, plan to leave on Sunday, April 27, 1958, and will return via plane Tuesday night, April 29, 1958, in order to be at work first thing Wednesday morning.

ACTION:

It is suggested that approval be given for Messrs. DeLoach and Hanning to attend the above-scheduled meetings in Indianapolis, Indiana.

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Mr. Frank Wick Americanism Chairman H. H. Donkersley Post No. 19 The American Legion Post Office Box 710 Yuma, Arizona

Dear Mr. Wick:

It was indeed a pleasure to receive your letter of April 29, 1958, with enclosure, and the copy of the letter to you from Mr. Pete Woodard of the same date.

I appreciate your thoughtfulness in advising me of the success you attained in the reproduction and distribution of my article, Warning To U. S. Teen-Agers." The report is most encouraging, and it is good to know that your project was so well received by the schoolboys and girls in Yuma. I am glad that I could cooperate with you in this matter.

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Sincerely yours, J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Mr. Wick wrote the Director on 11/6/57 requesting permission to reprint the above-mentioned article. Permission was granted by letter of 11/14/57. irHe also had permission from "This Week" magazine.

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TUESDAYS

LEGION HALL AT 161 MAIN STREET

P.O. Box 710

H. H. Donkersley Post No. 19



YUMA, ARIZONA April 29, 1958

American Legion . Note United States Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington 25, D. C.

J. Edgar Hoover

Dear Mr. Hoover:

On November 14, 1957 you were kind enough to furnish me with your permission to reproduce your article, Warning to U. S. Teen-Agers" which appeared in the October 27, 1957 issue of "This Week Magazine".

I am attaching a copy of the reproduction of your article and I am happy to inform you that Mr. Pete Woodard, Superintendent of our city schools; cooperated splendidly in the use of your article and he requested, from the various school principals, that the article be a required subject in each seventh and eighth grade class in the city of Yuman

Mr. Woodard also sent the material to all the other schools in the county and suggested to each one that they would be welcome to use the article if they saw fit.

Mr. Woodard informs me that 237 boys and 221 girls in the seventh and eighth grade city schools participated in the program. He also informs me that the program met with unusual success and was gratefully received by students, teachers and parents alike.

Thank you very much for your help in this important program.

Very truly yours,

FRANK WICK

Americanism Chairman

Reproduction of Article

IN REPLY REFER TO

Mr. Tolson

Mr. Belmont.

Mr. Mohra Mr. Nease Mr. Parson Mr. Rosen_ Mr. Tamm Mr. Trotter. Mr. Clayton,

Tele. Room_

Miss Gandy_

Mr. Holloman

Mr. Boardman

Encl.

In cooperation with the American Legion, H. H. Donkersley Post No. 19, Yuma, Arizona, permission was obtained from J. J. Edgar Hoover and from This Week to reproduce the following artic AP which appeared October 27, 1957. It is suggested that this information be used as a subject for one period, preferably, the Physical Education Department.

WARNING TO U. S. TEEN-AGERS

DON'T INVITE TROUBLE! HERE ARE 10 RULES THAT EVERY PARENT SHOULD MAKE SURE HIS YOUNGSTER KNOWS.

1. If any stranger - or even a slight acquaintance - makes improper advances, tell your parents immediately.

Young people are too often kind-hearted about such things - they dislike the idea of getting an offender into "trouble". Just remember that if you DON'T report him, he'll probably get into worse trouble later on - to say nothing of the harm he may cause.

2. If you know of any pornographic pictures or literature being passed around, notify your parents immediately.

Obscene reading matter is a favorite habit of the degenerate. If the authorities can run down the source and trace the material, they may be able to rid the community of danger before it starts.

3. Know your date! Don't go out on "blind dates" unless another couple is alongand even then be cautious.

If someone phones and says he's a friend of Jack Jones, tell him you'd be glad to have Jack Jones introduce him.

4. Stay out of "Lovers' Lanes."

It's natural to want to be alone with your date, but experience shows that "Lovers' Lanes" are favorite haunts of sex criminals.

5. Don't wander away alone from the crowd at picnics and outings. Stay within calling distance.

Sex criminals are easily attracted to any group of young people, and given an opportunity they can strike with frightening speed.

6. Don't ask for trouble - dress sensibly.

Provocative clothing may attract the attention of a potential sex criminal.

7. Be civil to strangers who ask directions, but never go part way with them.

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The "directions" trick is a favorite among sex criminals. They count on the natural helpfulness of young people.

8, Be very careful about accepting work from a stranger.

This is another insidious dodge. Always make sure that the person is respectable businessman.

9. Don't go about the house half-dressed.

This may seem harmless, but it's ah invitation to "Peeping Toms" - who may later become something more dangerous.

10. Never, never hitchhikel

And never, never pick a hitchhiker up!

Mr. hooevr; his leter came too late to be included the the other ma terial sent earlier this week.

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April 29, 1753

In. Frank Wick Americanium Chairman American Legion II. II. Donkersley Post No. 19 Yuna, Arizona

Doar Mr. Wight

We should like to take this opportunity to thank you, and the American Legion Post No. 19 of Yura, for making it possible for us to use the article by Mr. J. Edgar Moover which appeared in This Week, as a subject for our physical education classes.

In this district alone, 221 girls and 237 boys spend at least one hour in their regular physical education classes, discussing this and related material. We have had many comments from parents, students and teachers commenting upon the value of this type instruction.

llay to express our sincere thanks to you, I'm, Illover, and to This Week for making this material sycilable to us.

Yours truly

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Warning To U.S. Teen-Agers

I've spent 40 years, my whole career, dealing with the seamier side of life — robbery, kidnapping, gangsterism and murder. It is possible that the nation's youngsters think of me, when they think of me at all, as a pretty stern sort of person.

Perhaps that's just as well, for I want to give the young people of America some friendly, fatherly advice, and I would like them to take it very seriously.

The advice has to do with the sex-crime headlines in the newspapers today. These headlines worry everyone with any decency—they worry your parents and they worry you. And they certainly worry

So I've worked up a list of ten "Teen-Age Tips" that I feel will help young people to steer clear of langer. When you look them over you may say that some of them are only common sense. But remember that the common-sense rule is often the one we're apt to forget.

You'll also note that some of the "tips" apply only to girls. But remember again, every boy has a sister or a girl friend who needs his protection and advice, so he should study the whole list too.

In any case, these are the ten rules that, in my judgment and experience, are the most important.

1. If any stranger—or even a slight acquaintance—makes improper advances, tell your parents immediately.

Young people are too often kind-hearted about such things—they dislike the idea of getting an offender into "trouble." Just remember that if you don't report him, he'll probably get into worse trouble later on—to say nothing of the harm he may cause.

2. If you know of any pornographic pictures or literature being passed around, notify your parents immediately.

Obscene reading matter is a favorite habit of the degenerate. If the authorities can run down the source and trace the material, they may be able to rid the community of danger before it starts.

3. Know your date! Don't go out on "blind dates" unless another couple is along — and even then be cautious.

If someone phones and says he's a friend of Jack Jones, tell him you'd be glad to have Jack Jones introduce him.



By J. EDGAR HOOVER

Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

4. Stay out of "Lovers' Lanes."

It's natural to want to be alone with your date, but experience shows that "Lovers' Lanes" are favorite haunts of sex criminals.

5. Don't wander away alone from the crowd at picnics and outings. Stay within calling distance.

Sex criminals are easily attracted to any group of young people, and given an opportunity they can strike with frightening speed.

6. Don't ask for trouble - dress sensibly.

Provocative clothing may attract the attention of a potential sex criminal.

7. Be civil to strangers who ask directions, but never go part way with them.

The "directions" trick is a favorite among sex criminals. They count on the natural helpfulness of young people.

8. Be very careful about accepting work from a stranger:

This is another insidious dodge. Always make sure that the person is a respectable businessman.

9. Don't go about the house half-dressed.

This may seem harmless, but it's an invitation to "Peeping Toms" — who may later become something more dangerous.

10. Never, never hitchhike!

And never, never pick a hitchhiker up!

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MR. NEASE

DATE: 4-28-58

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SUBJECT:

TAPE RECORDING OF DIRECTOR'S SPEECH BEFORE AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL CONVENTION ON SEPT. 19. 1957.

Bulky Exhibit File Number: 94-1-17998-1308X

We are presently in the process of reviewing all bulky exhibits presently on hand, in order that we may weed out those which will serve no useful purpose by being retained. Inasmuch as a great many of these bulky exhibits pertain to inactive cases and are occupying badly needed space, it is requested that you have the appropriate substantive supervisor review the abovelisted bulky exhibit and render a decision as to the retention or disposition of the material contained therein. A notation as to the decision rendered should be placed on this memorandum, and it should be returned to the Filing Unit of the Records Branch, Room 1113, Identification Building. This memorandum will be filed in the case file.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above-listed bulky exhibit be reviewed and a decision rendered as to the retention or disposition of the material contained therein.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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MR. TOLSON

DATE: April 24, 1958

FROM

G. A. NEASE

SUBJECT:

COMMITTEE FOR INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC GROWTH

The above-captioned organization is a committee

formed by the White House under the guidance of Eric Johnston,

President, Motion Picture Association of America, Incorporated,

and Earl Cocke, Jr., past National Commander of the American Legion-National Cocke is father,

and a former candidate for Governor of the State of Georgia. Cocke's father,

Earl Cocke, Sr., is President of the American Banking Association this year.

The captioned committee has been formed for the purpose of encouraging

mutual assistance of foreign aid.

Cocke called Mr. DeLoach April 24, 1958. He and National Commander Jack Gleason have discussed the designation and appointment of a Legionnaire who will serve as a liaison representative between the American Legion nationally and the captioned committee. The committee believes that the American Legion can be very instrumental in assisting in its public relations drive for mutual aid for foreign countries. Cocke stated that he had recommended Mr. DeLoach's name to this appointment and that Gleason had concurred. He stated the position would not detract from DeLoach's job at the FBI but would entail considerable work at night in meeting with the various committees and in keeping the National Commander advised of the day-to-day activities of the captioned group. Cocke indicated the acceptance or rejection would not have to be given at this time but that he would appreciate an answer by April 29, 1958.

Although Cocke is very friendly and cooperative, he is considered an opportunist and an individual who will take every chance to get his name in the headlines. He no doubt has in mind that the appointment of an FBI representative to this particular assignment will lend credence that the FBI has possibly ligiven its blessings to the captioned committee."

Senator Herman Talmadge subsequently called DeLoach and stated that Cocke had been in to see him. The Senator indicated he wanted to state completely off the record that Cocke was up to his old tricks, that

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he felt Cocke was merely trying to use the FBI and that we should not be roped in on this matter. The Senator was told that Cocke's reputation was well-known and that we appreciated his advice. Senator Talmadge mentioned he, of course, needed Cocke's influence in the State of Georgia but he personally was very much against foreign aid and very definitely would hate to see Cocke pulling his shenanigans with the FBI. He stated that Cocke's reasons for being with the captioned committee were mostly to gain publicity for himself in order to support a campaign for the Governorship of Georgia within the near future. The Senator will not support Cocke in his campaign.

ACTION:

Mr. DeLoach will tell Cocke on April 29, 1958, that his offer is deeply appreciated but it will be impossible to accept this appointment. Cocke will be told that it is impossible for FBI representatives to divorce their professional connections from their Legion affiliations, that regardless of the fact that the FBI would have nothing to do with the appointment, at the same time many individuals might believe it was the FBI acting in such a capacity rather than the American Legion. He will also be told that the pressure of work just does not allow any additional responsibilities at this time.

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MR. NEASE Mr.

DATE: 4-24-58

FROM:

W. G. EAMES

SUBJECT:

TRANSCRIPTION OF TAKK GIVEN

BY DIRECTOR BEFORE AMERICAN LEGION

CONVENTION, SAN FRANCISCO,

CALIFORNIA, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER, 30, 1946

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DATE: April 17, 1958

SUBJECT:

JAMES V. DAY

NATIONAL PUBLIC RELATIONS DIRECTOR THE-AMERICAN LEGION - AME

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Captioned individual is a close friend of the Bureau's and has been most cooperative in helping us get publicity we have desired in the past at National Conventions. He received an autographed copy of the Director's book, "Masters of Deceit."

Day recently approached Mr. DeLoach of your office and advised that he is a very close personal friend of James Flowers of King Features Syndicate. Flowers has advised Day that he did the actual syndication of "Masters of Deceit." Day plans to go to New York on Monday or Tuesday of next week, April 28 or 29, to confer with Flowers on another matter. He stated that if the Director has no objection, he would like to buy a copy of "Masters of Deceit," have the Director autograph it to Flowers, and he would like to personally deliver it to Flowers when he sees him next week. In view of the fact that we have close relations with The American Legion, and particularly with Jim Day, and in view of the fact that Flowers is doing the actual syndication writing of "Masters of Deceit," it is believed that we should make this book available to Day for Flowers without cost to Day.

Files have been checked, and Flowers not identifiable in Bufiles.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(1) That we furnish a book to Day for delivery to Flowers without cost

to Day.

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ENCLOSURE (2) That the Director autograph this book to Flowers. A copy of "Masters of Deceit" together with appropriate legend card is attached. If this memorandum is approved, this book should be returned to Inspector DeLoach for delivery to Mr., Day.

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